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H.F.M. has directed L.D. to consider whether it is not possible to register and licence all Bond Writers requiring certain amount of knowledge and fix rates for the work they are called upon to do.

Rule 32 of the Rules framed by the High Court under sub-section (1) of section 41-A of the Bombay Civil Courts Act, 1869 (at pp.172, 173 of Civil Manual Vol. I) provides for licensing the petition-writers and fixing their fees. This rule will have no application to the Bond Writers. But, if from experience it appears that the bond writers are generally inefficient and exploit the illiterate people, the proper remedy to stop the evil would be to legislate on the lines rule 32 of the Rules framed by the High Court fixing their minimum educational qualifications and fees and requiring them to take a licence.

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